

## The importance of **Community**

35 years ago, I decided that Kingwood Township would be where I would begin my professional career. As the son of immigrants I grew up in Newark, N.J helping my parents provide for our family. This time in my life shaped the person I am today and put me on this path to serve my community.

Since moving to Kingwood with my wife Rose, I farmed hundreds of acres, general contracted our home, and volunteered on local recreation sport teams with our two sons. All the while contributing to the growth of our community.

Throughout the years, my wife and I have had the pleasure to instill the importance of community involvement and encouraged our sons to join us in our many community based endeavors within our community. Whether it was organizing after school events at Kingwood Township School or bringing



**The Russano Family. Left to right: Andrew, Joseph, Champ, Rose and Andrew.**

stuffed animals to the residents of the ARC during the holidays, we are extremely proud of the opportunities to work alongside and help so many residents of Kingwood!



### *Dear Neighbor,*

I am writing you today to announce my candidacy for the **Kingwood Township Committee!**

As a longtime resident, agriculturalist, husband, father and active member of this charming community that I have called my home for the past 35 years; I alongside my wife Rose have raised our family, volunteered in our community, farmed, raised livestock and continued our religious obligations at St. Johns the Evangelist Church.

I have offered expertise on school safety committees, Board of Educations, Township Board of Adjustment, Park & Recreation events, and taught CPR to first responders, school officials, scouts, residents and church parishioners.

A first generation college student, and the son of immigrants, I received my Bachelor of Art's degree from Fairleigh Dickenson University, graduating with Latin Honors (Magna Cum Laude). I am a Certified Public Manager (CPM), Certified Supervising Manager (CSM) and certified by the Police Training Commission (PTC) to instruct Law Enforcement Officers. I am a coordinator

for Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM), Peer to Peer for Victims Witness Advocacy and a peer coordinator for the NJ Disaster Critical Incident Stress Response (NJDCISR) team which served at the World Trade Center and Liberty State Park September 11, 2001.

In my professional career, I worked alongside so many talented women and men. I have utilized my experiences in the Banking Industry, the New Jersey State Police, the Office of Homeland Security as well as my time with the Hunterdon County Sheriff's Office to save lives, create fiscal efficiency and develop and implement long-term strategies for the public's safety!

I believe that my professional and volunteer experiences in the financial and public safety professions provide me with the knowledge, skills and abilities to continue to serve the residents of our community.

Together, I believe we can continue to provide an environment where our residents, neighbors, families and community leaders can continue to enjoy our open space, hiking trails, fishing streams, biking corridors, farms and local produce in a safe and sustainable way.

I am truly grateful for this opportunity, Thank You!

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